

Danville Light Opera CENTER STAGE



LIFE IS A CABARET!

As I write this to you it is a very cold night in early January and I came home from rehearsal wishing that each of you could be there. Not because we were ready for performance but because we weren't. Had you had that opportunity you would understand why I say that community theater is something very important. You would have seen people at the end of a six hour music and dance rehearsal still listening to their directors and caring about getting it right. You would have seen directors working on details of diction and costuming and how to make this show absolutely as good as it can be. What that night told me is that everyone involved loves this show as much as I do. For that, I thank every single member of this cast, crew and production team. Truly, I stand in awe of the talent of all of these people.

This show has wonderful music, fun choreography and costumes, absorbing characters so I can't think of anything else one could ask of a musical. Except in this case you get that most wonderful of all things that can occur in the theater, while you are being entertained you are also being uplifted. I am not particularly fond of plays that preach, but I value above all a play that has something to say. You will hear from Sally and Cliff and the emcee and Herr Schultz and Fraulein Schneider. Let them make you laugh and enjoy the classic lyrics as they tell you "Nie Wieder" Never Again. We all get to make choices and take a stand. If we don't it can happen again.

Gaye Garner, Director



February 13-15, 2009
Danville Area Community College

MEET THE CAST

Craig Krukewitt as Master of Ceremonies
Ian Williams as Clifford Bradshaw
Jeanne Dunn as Fraulein Schneider
Jim Wolfe as Herr Schultz
Stephanie Keller as Fraulein Kost
Nancy Livingston as Sally Bowles
Jason Asaad as Ernst Ludwig

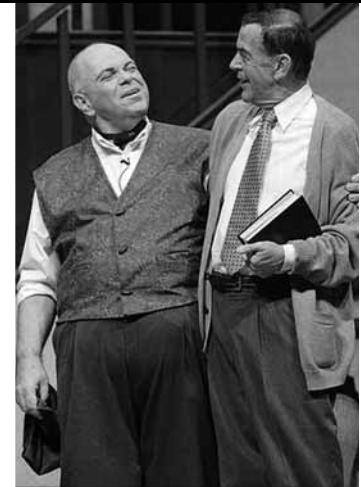
Kit Kat Klub Girls
Adrian Brown
Kelsey Daugherty
Suzy Smalley
Carolyn Smith
Maggie Reeves
Flynn Williams

Kit Kat Klub Boys
Geno Carver
Michael Howard
Nathan Konieczki
Rodolfo Woods

Director, Gaye Garner
Music Director, Belinda Smith
Choreographer, Rodolfo Woods
Co-Choreographer, Jesse Pierce

**For Mature
Audiences**

My Fair Lady



TREAT YOUR SWEETHEART

Since this year's dinner theater production of Cabaret is on Valentine's weekend, many of you will be using this as your Valentine's Day date. And DLO would like to help you make it a special one.

You can order a Red Rose Chocolate Valentine Treat and have it waiting at your sweetheart's seat when you arrive. The treat will include a single red rose in a champagne flute vase, surrounded by a dozen Dove chocolate pieces.

The treat will be \$10. Pre-orders can be made up to Wednesday, February 11, with a limited number available at the door for \$15. Send your order form and payment with your ticket order.



Yes, I'd like to order a Red Rose & Chocolate Valentine for my sweetheart.

Name _____

Phone _____

Presented to _____

Seat # (if known) _____

Please send \$10 for each flower you order to:
DLO, PO Box 264, Danville IL 61834

Orders due by Wednesday, February 11.
A limited number of treats will be available at the door for \$15.

DLO Looking for Directors, Choreographers, and More

The Danville Light Opera Reading & Director Selection Committees are currently working on selecting our line-up of shows for the next season and into the future.

Generally, we announce our upcoming productions at the spring show. This year, the committees decided to let you in on a preview of the selection process, with the idea that you may be interested in directing one of the shows for next season. That is an additional piece of information that can help in the formation of DLO's annual season of productions.

Here's the list of shows that the Reading Committee is currently considering (in alphabetical order):

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| A, My Name is Alice | Showboat |
| Aida | Smoke on the Mountain |
| Children of Eden | The Civil War |
| Hello Dolly | The Secret Garden |
| Oliver | The Spitfire Grill |
| Peter Pan | White Christmas |

If you have an interest in being the director, music director, choreographer, accompanist or producer of any of these shows, please send a letter of interest to:

DLO
Attn: Reading Committee,
PO Box 264, Danville IL 61834

If there are other shows that you have an interest in being of the production team for, please also send a letter to the committee for their consideration.



The word "love" was never mentioned and the two leads never kissed, yet this DLO production pulled at the heartstrings of everyone in the audience. Remember the romance with Thompsonpoint Photo's gallery.
 Visit danvillelightopera.com for more.



Your Chance to be a star... AUDITION FOR SPRING SHOW

Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up? will be the spring production for Danville Light Opera. Performance dates are April 24-26 at the DACC Bremer Center Auditorium. Auditions for DBPLSRRU? will be held on **Sunday and Monday, February 22 & 23** beginning at 7:00 p.m. both evenings. Those auditioning should be prepared to sing a selection (either with sheet music or a CD with no vocals), as well as read from the script. A perusal script is available at the Danville Public Library.

Focusing on eight children during their Catholic elementary and high school education in the 1950s, DBPLSRRU? captures the funniest aspects of youthful growing pains and the trying moments of adolescence. Every number tickles the funny bone of anyone who ever went to school, public or private. It is a delightful musical for schools. DLO previously presented this show in 1989.

For more information and to download an audition form, visit the DLO website at www.danvillelightopera.com.



Note from Gary Lickfett, DLO President

As you will surely read elsewhere in this issue, work is already well underway for our upcoming dinner show Cabaret. The dedication and motivation of the cast and their directors is amazing. The winter show typically goes into rehearsal after the New Year celebrations have subsided. This dedicated group of actors and directors held its first rehearsal on the Thursday after the cast was announced on Tuesday, December 9th!

There is much about this show that will surprise and delight you, but which I am not at liberty to share in print. What I can share, however, concerns the fact that we are adding a fourth performance to the schedule—a Saturday matinee. This show will begin a bit earlier (look for times listed elsewhere in this issue) than the Sunday matinee, and will be preceded by an extravagant brunch catered by Dana and Brad Wheeler. As you know, the Wheelers have catered our dinner shows in the past, and will be providing the customary full dinner menu—including Dana's heavenly pies—for the other three presentations of Cabaret. Cabaret is a show you will definitely not want to miss. Be sure to brush up on the history of pre-World War II Germany, and be there!

Special thanks to DLO players who volunteered their time and talents at this year's Christmas celebration at Vermilion County Museum.

Look
Inside!

•Make Valentine's
Day Extra Special

•Special Brunch Show

•Spring Show Auditions

•We're looking
for talent...
your talent!



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Doors open 30 minutes prior to dinner/brunch time. Show will begin following the meal.

SEASON MEMBERS TICKET PURCHASES (check one)

- # _____ tickets for Friday, February 13 at 6:30pm
- # _____ tickets for Saturday, February 14 at 11:30am
- # _____ tickets for Saturday, February 14 at 6:30pm
- # _____ tickets for Sunday, February 15 at 12:30pm

Name(s) on membership(s): _____

GENERAL PUBLIC TICKET PURCHASES (check one)

- # _____ tickets for Friday, February 13 at 6:30pm
- # _____ tickets for Saturday, February 14 at 11:30am
- # _____ tickets for Saturday, February 14 at 6:30pm
- # _____ tickets for Sunday, February 15 at 12:30pm

- # _____ Adult tickets @ \$32 = \$ _____
- # _____ Student tickets @ \$22 = \$ _____ (With Student ID)

Total Due = \$ _____

Name(s) on tickets(s): _____

Phone #: _____

Mail order form and payment to:
DLO, PO Box 264, Danville IL 61834
(217) 431-1660

Make Checks Payable to:
DLO

Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for ticket delivery.

Ticket Order Form for



**Box Office Hours
for Season Members Only**
Sunday, Jan 25, 2pm-4pm
Monday, Jan 26, 6pm-8pm

**Box Office Hours
for Members & General Public**
Sunday, Feb 1, 2pm-4pm
Monday, Feb 2, 6pm-8pm

Sunday, Feb 8, 2pm-4pm
Monday, Feb 9, 6pm-8pm
Tuesday, Feb 10, 6pm-8pm
Thursday Feb 12, 6pm-8pm